

Dear Federal Communications Commission,

I and many other fellow citizens are strongly convinced that an At&t and T-Mobile merger will create an even worse oligopoly in the mobile broadband market. They already raise the cost of their services far above what you can see in other industrialized countries with the same or higher cost of living. For instance, let's take a look at Hong Kong or the United Kingdom where people pay \$20-\$40 per month for comparative mobile broadband plans. In the United States, I would have to pay \$80 per month. Even if we take into consideration that our country is less dense and thus more expensive per capita to provide mobile broadband, it still is too expensive. The higher cost is caused by the fact that we have an oligopoly where the carriers can afford to raise the prices without facing a significant loss in revenue. With the merger, there will only be 3 major mobile carriers left. 2 of the 3 would force customers to purchase their phones to get the services and exclude unlocked phones by the use of CDMA. At&t would be the only one offering SIM.

A merger with At&t will ultimately stifle competition, innovation and the choice of the customer. Not to mention that At&t would have more power to diminish the rules and jurisdiction of the FCC thus ultimately harming us, the customers.

Please consider these points in your decision.

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